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Excise Police Seize 203 Containers of Synthetic Marijuana in Aurora

AURORA, Ind. (Aug. 16) – Indiana State Excise Police officers seized 203 containers of suspected synthetic marijuana this afternoon at an Aurora convenience store.

Officers were responding to four complaints – one involving a juvenile – from people who reportedly experienced adverse reactions after ingesting synthetic marijuana products allegedly purchased at Road Dog (Millrun Oil), 606 Green Blvd., in Aurora.

As a result, officers seized a variety of products this afternoon. Items taken today included products with names like Karma and Black Mamba. (Photograph of synthetic marijuana product is attached.)

These products were made illegal by a new Indiana law that took effect July 1.

In addition, excise police cited Road Dog administratively for operating on an expired tobacco sales certificate.

“The Indiana State Excise Police will continue to aggressively investigate the illegal distribution of synthetic marijuana products, like K2 and Spice,” Superintendent Matt Strittmatter said. “The hazards associated with the use of K2 and Spice are exemplified in this case.”

Dearborn County prosecutor Aaron Negangard assisted excise police in their investigation, which may result in criminal charges.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol & Tobacco Commission. Excise officers enforce all state laws, but focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related violations. You can now follow the excise police on Twitter (@ExcisePolice), where information and updates are posted daily.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.



